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## Our men in Frankfort

THESE ARTICLES and photographs of the Taylorsville Road area's three freshman legislators were taken in Frankfort last Friday by staff writers Robin Garr III and Sandy Hinton.



DAISY THALER (D-34th)

### Daisy Thaler terms senate 'invaluable experience'

"Until you've actually gone through it, you can't appreciate it. It's educational and it's an invaluable experience," said Senator Daisy Thaler (D-34th) of her role as freshman senator in Frankfort.

She said she spends many hours a week devoted to her job, keeping up with what's going on in the Senate committees and serving on the business and professional organizations committee and the public utilities and transportation committee.

Now in the process of being drafted is a bill introduced by Sen. Thaler, that would put some form of stipulation on the sale of hypodermic needles and syringes in a further effort to control drug use and sales.

"I found that it would not be the thing to have them as a prescription item, but maybe people should register when purchasing them," she said. That is the Thaler study.

She also is cosponsoring a bill which would allow fifth- and sixth-class city police marshals to use a flashing blue light on their personal cars. Some of the money from the sale of the car to purchase a car for their law enforcement officials, so this would allow the use of the blue light for emergencies, she said.

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### Benson ponders controversial tax bill

Bob Benson (D-33rd) settled back into his large swivel chair last Friday, just after a brief session of the House of Representatives.

"Hey, you want a scoop? I'm introducing this bill next week that is going to be quite controversial," he said.

The bill, if passed in its present form, would allow governments in the state to levy special taxes on manufacturing firms within their city. Benson said he has studied the measure in depth and feels it would amass over \$1 billion in additional revenue which could be channeled into the financially troubled school systems. A portion of the revenue also could be used for mass transit programs, he said.

"But, we're going to hear a lot of opposition from local chambers of commerce because it might be a deterrent to large manufacturing firms locating in the state," Benson said.

He is co-sponsoring a bill along with Norbert Blume (D-43rd), Speaker of the House, relating to equal rights for women. The bill, he said, would repeal any Kentucky laws involving sex discrimination.

With the right to equality would come

legislation, "I don't myself look upon women as inferior."

"Of course, there has been some concern by some people that this would mean men and women are equal. I've had some phone calls at home from women who are not in favor of it -- you'd be surprised at how many women don't want to be equal, I mean this is away what women have now," he said.

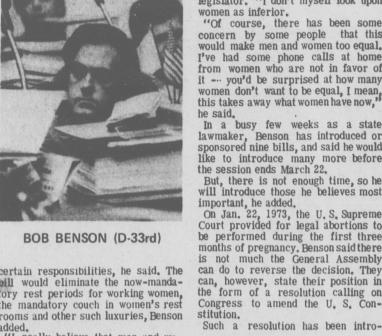
In a busy few weeks as a state lawmaker, Benson has introduced or sponsored nine bills, and said he would like to introduce one more before the session ends March 22.

But, there is not enough time, so he will introduce those he believes most important he added.

On Jan. 30, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court provided for legal abortions to be performed during the first three months of pregnancy. Benson said there is not much the General Assembly can do to reverse the decision. They can, however, state their position in the form of a resolution calling on Congress to amend the U. S. Constitution.

Such a resolution has been intro-

duced.



BOB BENSON (D-33rd)

certain responsibilities, he said. The bill would eliminate the now-mandatory rest periods for working women, the mandatory couch in women's rest rooms and other such luxuries, Benson said.

"I really believe that men and women are equal," said the freshman

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### O'Brien seeks experience, respect

Mark D. O'Brien (D-31st) smiled and readily admitted he can point to few concrete accomplishments during his first two weeks as a freshman legislator.

"I don't feel I've accomplished anything to gain the respect of the legislature," O'Brien said. "But hopefully, I've got nothing to lose their respect, either."

The biggest thing has been to meet the people connected with the legislature, and view its workings, hopefully to become a decent representative.

"If I have the chance to put in a good bill, I think the feelings of those I respect in the people may aid its success," O'Brien said. "I intend, as I promised in my campaign, to serve the people."

Much of his time during the General Assembly's first four weeks, O'Brien said, has been spent studying his rapidly growing binders filled with proposed new legislation.

Weekly, on Saturday mornings, he and area senator Daisy Thaler (D-34th) have been meeting constituents at dutch treat breakfasts at the Ramada Inn in Jeffersonton.

O'Brien admitted he has "a couple" of bills he has introduced this session, but easily added, "I don't want to divulge them right now, so no body will hop on a good idea. There's nothing earth-shattering about them,"

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MARK D. O'BRIEN (D-31st) discusses a bill with his legislative seatmate Victor Hellard Jr., Democrat of Versailles.

Rep. Ed Holloway (R-47th), a bill pertaining to Kentucky's class city system, and the city of St. Regis, which includes both representatives' districts within its borders, Mrs. Thaler has introduced a similar bill in the Senate. O'Brien also joined with several

of his fellow legislators in sponsoring several major bills, and resolutions,

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## Truckers' strike dries up gas pumps

By Kathy French  
Staff Writer

The independent truck drivers strike has caused empty gasoline pumps in Jeffersonton this week.

Tuesday, at least two service stations were closed, another was only open in the afternoon, and all of the regular gasoline stations were out of gas," said a sign posted in the window.

The Summit Service Station at 9905 Taylorsville Rd. was closed Monday, painted on the side of the building, "Truck strike, no delivery, no gas," told a customer, although the manager was unavailable for comment.

Lindsey Greenwell, sole employee of Tops Service Station, 9579 Taylorsville Rd., said he had run out of regular gas that afternoon "and we will run out of premium in two days," he added when the premium gas is gone, the station will close.

Down the street, the People's Filling Station was only open Monday afternoon from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. By 2 p.m., Eddie Turner, manager of People's said his regular gas was depleted.

Also, Turner said, his premium gas would be gone "today or tomorrow" even with the shorter hours both Monday and Tuesday again, Turner blamed the truck strike.

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No gas means no job for Greenwell, who said, "I'll probably be laid off about the middle of the month if I'm not on the truck strike and said he had no idea when more gasoline would be delivered.

The other Tops, at 10004 Taylorsville Road, also was out of regular gas by Tuesday afternoon, the premium was all gone, and a sign posted in the window said, "We are temporarily out of gas."

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Carl, the manager of Convenient Food Mart, 10002 Taylorsville Road, James C. White did not blame his empty tanks on the truck strike. He said his gas is shipped by in-town trans-

White said he ordered his gasoline

it takes half a week for delivery. Actually, White was optimistic about the future. "I hope he will do his allocation for February," he said. "March allotments should be increased again, and by summer, White said, he expects to get all the gasoline he

needs.

White said he ordered his gasoline the last week of January and "has been looking for a truck since last month." Usually, he buys gasoline supplies, deliver his monthly allocation in "three loads over a three-week period," causing gasoline depletion on the last day of the month.

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REPRESENTATIVES Ed Holloway (left) and E. Bruce Blythe Jr., talk politics at the end of Friday's legislative session.

Staff photo

## Blythe continues his war on noise

By Robin Garr III  
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Ever since State Rep. E. Bruce Blythe Jr. (D-Shelbyville) got to the Kentucky Assembly in 1961, he's made noise pollution his area of special interest. The 1974 session is no exception, as the veteran legislator kicked off his seventh term by filing House Bill 121, which would require the state commissioner of natural resources and environmental protection to develop a state-wide program of noise regulation. "There's been a lot of noise," Blythe recalled in a Frankfort interview last week, "they completed I-64 from the Waterford Expressway to the Keeney Bridge, and split my district right in half."

"The noise pollution is so bad everybody's mad and up tight about it that the highway came through there with all its dust and noise, even though 20,000 people in the district had opposed it," he reported.

"People were unsure, so in getting the highway blocked, the best we can do is give some relief from the terrible noise problem."

Holloway said that in addition to his bill to constituents surrounding Cherokee and Seneca Parks, Blythe believes, by setting up a department of noise pollution abatement to administer federal standards, it will be issued April 1 by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

"No overnight wave of quietness will descend upon us," Blythe added, "but, with the EPA guidelines and state law people, and particularly truckers, will put on notice to the fact they have to comply with the federal and state laws."

"I have no doubt we'll get all the responsible trucking firms I've talked to will be glad to comply, as soon as they know what to comply with," Blythe said. "Now, there's no law at all," except for community anti-noise ordinances.

The bill was expected to be out of committee this week, and on the house floor for a vote next week, according to Blythe.

As minority chairman for the house committee on cities, Blythe also is involved with major legislation viewing changes in state planning and zoning laws.

House Bill 147, concurrently filed as Senate Bill 57, would impose significant changes in Kentucky laws about zoning, Blythe said.

If the bill passes the senate, Blythe plans to hold public hearings in Frankfort, while the legislature is in session, but the bill is dead if it fails.

Along major impact of this omnibus planning and zoning bill, Blythe said,

- Required notification of landowners adjacent to proposed zoning change, by certified mail.

-- Redefinition of the term "sub-division" to include land parcels of five acres or more.

-- Authorization for a hearing examiner to conduct zoning public hearings.

-- Strengthening of "plan certain" regulations binding developers to their land development plans, and incurrence of public utilities and government agencies in rezoning process.

"This bill definitely strengthens planning and zoning commissions," Blythe said. "It gives the commission a firm grip and better projection on future orderly growth."

Blythe also has introduced bills dealing with bicycles (House Bill 331), "prioritizing the bicycle as a useful and desirable mode of transportation," and with banking (House Bill 233), a highly technical proposal allowing government agencies to invest their funds in government-backed securities in order to enjoy a higher interest rate.

Long a proponent of election of aldermen and fiscal court commissioners by ward or district, Blythe performed an apparent turnaround recently by voting against a bill that would have permitted district voting in primary elections.

But, he explained, the bill he voted against was "kind of a load and not enough. It was a device to shut us up who want district elections in the general election."

District voting in primaries could be established by statute, Blythe explained, while in general election, it would require a constitutional amendment.

In the 1972 session, Blythe introduced an proposal for such an amendment, but it died in committee. The legislator said he probably will introduce a simi-

lar bill this year.

"I believe it will meet a similar fate, but this is probably the hardest working, fastest working legislature I have been privileged to be a part of," Blythe concluded.

"I am convinced the makeup of the legislature is good, but you need another -- more dedication, younger men, who work harder. The state legislature no longer is a haven for political hacks, defeated county judges and sheriffs, as it was when I first came up here."



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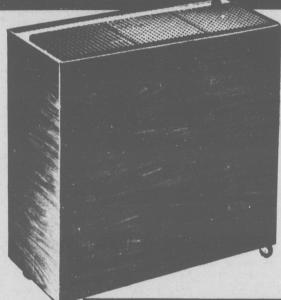
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#### EDITORIAL

## Busing for integration is a necessary evil

To our knowledge, no one on either side of the school integration issue has yet to advocate busing of students to achieve racial balance as a desirable goal. Not even the most old liberal or conservative, wants busing -- and that probably includes members of the Federal Circuit Courts and U.S. Supreme Court who have sanctioned it in the past.

But is it equally clear that without a busing program of some kind, no amount of racial integration will be possible. Until that happens, public education will remain inherently unequal and, therefore, unlawful.

The people of this area are thus confronted with these three short-term alternatives:

--They may move out of the country.

--They may place their children in private schools.

--They may make the best of an unpleasant situation. About 15-20 percent of the students in any given suburban school may have to be bused elsewhere.

These are immediate alternatives. In addition, local people have three long-term options:

--They can hope the Supreme Court overturns the Circuit Court's opinion, and finds either that more integration is not required or that cross-district integration is not required.

--They can work to so integrate housing patterns that the need for artificial integration procedures such as busing will no longer exist.

--They can amend the Constitution of the United States so as to outlaw busing to achieve equal educational opportunity.

The school boards, of course, have no options at all. They must, under threat of violating a court order, now prepare integration plans. They can appeal to the Supreme Court while they do so, but they can no longer escape the duty to prepare workable integration plans.

#### No grandstanding

Fortunately for the entire community, officials of all three school systems -- Louisville, Jefferson County and Anchorage -- have said it plain that there is no grandstanding, no demagogery -- or, at least not enough to encourage any widespread belief that school integration can be avoided. Superintendents Newman Walker, Richard VanHoosier and Elizabeth Ann Ewing deserve congratulations for the tenor of their public statements on this issue.

Even members of Save Our Community Schools, who have demonstrated massive com-

munity support for their anti-busing views, deserve good marks on that point. Time after time they have asserted their opposition to boycotts, desegregation and any hint of violence. They have pledged to obey the law as interpreted by the courts.

Their main thrust is reasonable: change the law so as to make busing to achieve racial balance illegal. In our view this is a risky and hopeless task. By the time it could be achieved, if it could, the practice would have been in operation for many years. And in the process the Constitutional Convention they seek easily could wreck other treasured portions of the Constitution.

#### Other alternatives

Another short-term answer is running away. We can almost hear the real estate agents of Oldham County licking their chops at the expected land rush. But before the few Jefferson County residents capable of making such a move do so, we earnestly urge them to carefully evaluate the quality of schools awaiting them there and the costs of such an escape.

Private schools are another answer now being investigated by hundreds of East End families. However, the cost and the limited space available in existing schools restrain an appeal of the option. Thankfully, the Catholic Archdiocese has stated it will not let its schools be used -- were for segregationists.

It has been impressive, in recent weeks, to hear the arguments repeatedly made that "integration is not the problem," "it is getting out of hand." A neighborhood is an argument implies that people are willing to accept living in integrated neighborhoods, but will not accept busing out of that neighborhood to school.

If people in this country are now willing to live in integrated surroundings, regardless of their change in heart is hard to find. The existence of a state fair housing law has given courageous blacks the weapon they need to buy homes where they want. But it has not brought about freedom of choice in housing. It has not changed the practices of the majority of real estate agents; it has not had any important impact on housing patterns.

Until there is very substantial change in this situation, until we become a more or less integrated society, it will be necessary -- if the law is to be obeyed -- to find artificial ways to integrate the public schools.

I have contact with the students and also Mr. Sexton, I know Mr. Sexton for the fine educator he is, and find him neither frus-

trated nor a man unending blind obedience with the constant threat of paddling or expulsion, as you described.

For your information, last year a detailed questionnaire was sent to each home, asking the parents to complete and return them to the school. The results were interesting concerning various stages of dress and undress, smoking on school property, discipline, cutting classes, length of hair, etc. These responses were tabulated, and I am sure, went a long way toward telling our school administrators what we as par-

ents prefer. Therefore, the dictatorial atmosphere indicated by your article might have a wider base than just one hardened and cynical frustrated educator (also indicated by your article).

The slurs about the repression of freedom of the press in connection with the cafeteria visit to other schools also leaves a great deal to be desired in the field of fair journalism. If one of the three was made to a school with less desirable cafeteria facilities, the same would be true. The indiscriminate naming of this school could have been detrimental to that school, its cafeteria manager, its principal and the Board of Education. This would have been much more serious than "the embarrassment of an assistant principal."

It would be interesting, if your paper is so inclined and capable, to take an unbiased poll of the student body at Jeffersontown High to see what their thoughts might be. My opinion, being a parent and over thirty, is obviously biased, narrow, unfair, and inaccurate.

In a recent issue of our daily newscast was a statement by Dr. Benjamin Spock himself, to the effect that parents should disregard his and other liberal-minded child-rearing advocates, and return to stricter discipline tempered with common sense. He went on to say that the following of his recommendations had produced "a spoiled generation" of young citizens.

I have always enjoyed the articles and editorials in the Voice-Jeffersonian and regret to see them used for character assassination on both a school

and an individual. The privilege of freedom of the press also carries with it the equal responsibility of full and fair reporting. Your editorial has forgotten about this part.

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## Says Kentucky law permits paddling students

Dear Editor:

In response to your editorial of January 24th, "Jeffersontown contrast a Cop and a Schoolmaster," I live in Jeffersontown, I have a teenager attending Jeffersontown High School. I am a member of the PTA, and I also work at the high school (in the health room)

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trated nor a man unending blind obedience with the constant threat of paddling or expulsion, as you described him.

He is a teacher who spends extra hours with students on out-of-school activities without extra pay -- a man who follows the rules set down by the Jefferson County Board of Education. In our school, we as parents (we are parents and voters elected to office) which permit paddling in the schools, rules which command expulsion from school for certain infractions of those rules.

As for the goulom picture you painted of Capt. Tucker, I commend you for praising the police force.

But I do not agree fully with him -- nor you that the school board is helping him to run cutting classes is responsible for nearly ruining his life.

Where was the adult behind this 15-year-old boy, who permitted him to make such an important decision as to whether he would cut classes or not? Where was the truant officer?

Among other letters received on this subject are two from students who would not identify themselves. The editor would like to use their letters, but will not unless they identify themselves to him. Their names will be withheld, but their authorship must be verified if the letters are to be published.

ficer who permitted this 15 year old to be out of school, before it became necessary to expel him? And he himself must shoulder some of the blame for his violent rebellion.

Any parent that is not satisfied with the way the schools, let him go to the Board of Education and register a complaint and try to change the rules. If he does not approve of paddling, let him go to the source in Frankfort and have it changed. We elected these men and women, and only we are to blame for the laws they passed.

Dorothy Hughes  
2709 Cranston Drive  
Jeffersontown

## 'A bit hasty . . . completely wrong'

Dear Editor:  
Your editorial contrasting a school administrator at Jeffersontown High School and a visiting police officer was a bit hasty and completely wrong. In seeing your editorial on Thursday, your editor was right and on Friday WAVE-TV's Rodney Ford was complimenting Bishop David High School and other parochial schools for teaching discipline as well as A B C's.

Your facts were erroneous, you owe the administrators and the entire faculty at Jeffersontown High School an apology.

Mrs. Norma Taylor  
4905 Garden Drive  
Jeffersontown

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We would hope that the League of Women Voters would ask themselves if this method of integration is in the best interest of our community.

Mrs. R. K. Guillaume  
3505 Pinecone Circle  
Also signed by:

Mrs. William Fuller  
Mrs. Robert Higgins  
Mrs. Rhea Larimore  
Mrs. Sally Peal

Mrs. Kenneth J. Thomas

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President, League of Women  
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115 S. Ewing Avenue  
Louisville, 40206

Dear Editor:  
The League of Women Voters is grateful to you for printing the statement we made to the Louisville, Jefferson County, and Anchorage school boards dealing with local desegregation and for associating yourself with our views.

Until we printed our complete statement Jan. 24, the local press had reported only that

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'Maybe what we need is a Wild Highways Act to preserve the countryside from the ravages of Fiscal Court.'

## Anti-busers answer League of Women Voters

Dear Editor:  
As concerned citizens, associated with Save Our Community Schools, Inc., we are troubled by the recent letter written by the League of Women Voters to the boards of education of Louisville, Anchorage and Jefferson County (reprinted in The Voice-Jeffersonian Jan. 31).

We are in agreement with the league in that every citizen should have access to a free public education. As law-abiding citizens, we are not in opposition to the federal court's order of desegregation. However, we feel that the method of forced busing as the means of desegregation works against the best interest of all children. Under the existing law, there is no housing discrimination. Therefore, it is possible for every American to live where he chooses. We all live in communities because of certain factors, such as money available for the home, convenience to shopping, churches, and most certainly because of

the schools in that district. The neighborhood school's success cannot help but be improved by the local mothers and children who constantly work to improve the educational environment. Living in close proximity to the school enhances one's ability to be of service to that school and the community. A child's education can best be nourished under the security of a neighborhood school.

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## Reader supports Mr. Sexton

Dear Editor:

Speaking from the standpoint of a professional association of six years, I would like to speak out for Mr. James Sexton of Jeffersontown High School as a conscientious administrator who seems genuinely interested in the growth of each student with whom he comes in contact. He works hard at doing a thankless job well. The "insensitive high school administration" that is damaging young lives has thus far escaped my notice.

Speaking from the standpoint of a parent of five boys and girls who have made their way or are at this time making their way through the Jefferson County school system, I would give utmost encouragement to school personnel who

cooperate with me in attempting to teach my children to abide by society's rules. No one is helping me to do this. No one allows him to feel that he can be exempt from the discipline to which everyone and everything in life is subject. Children (and adults) will never be adults until they learn to accept the consequences of their acts and learn to say "I did it and I'm sorry."

It is disappointing to hear from a media with the potential for constructive influence a tone identical with that of the student who is unable to accept the fact that he cannot have unlimited freedom to do as he pleases.

Mrs. Benjamin Gardner Moore  
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4905 Garden Drive  
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## Junior Achievers to display wares at the Mall



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The trade fair which costs \$100,000, fund raiser, will include all three JA membership by 15 percent. Last year, JA grew by 63 percent regionally.

The trade fair will open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Scherman said about 2,500 JA companies and 450 volunteer workers will be involved in the fund raising drive. Some 150 exhibitors from all areas will be selling products of bargain rates during the weekend trade fair.

Junior Achievement is a national organization that promotes interest in business among high school students.

### Man of letters

New members will be welcome at the Feb. 13 meeting of the American Association of Retired Persons at 10

## Around Town

am, at the Zachary Taylor Post on Shelbyville Road.

Speaker will be Lynnwood Garrett, customer representative of the post office, whose subject will be, "Past, Present and Future."

Library service for the blind

An open meeting to discuss public library services for the blind and physically handicapped in the area is scheduled for 7 pm, Friday, Feb. 8, in the auditorium of the Kentucky School for the Blind, 1867 Frankfort Avenue.

Any one interested in discussing the need for such services is asked to attend.

### Organ recital

Bailegrass Christian Church, 4100 Shelbyville Road, will present an organ recital by Dr. Al Washburn on Sunday, Feb. 17, at 3 pm in the sanctuary.

### Style show

Sacred Heart Alumnae Association will sponsor a luncheon and style show on Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Executive Inn's Canterbury Room.

Reservations should be made by Feb. 14 with Nancy O'Hearn, 459-6792 or Betty Carney, 267-9173.

### Class of '64

The 1964 graduating class of Eastern High School will hold a ten year reunion on March 23 at the Ramada Inn, Hurstbourne Lane, beginning at 6:30 pm.

Reservations should be made by Feb. 18. For more information call Sandy Reynolds Beatty, 491-1586 or Cheryl Redmon Fust, 267-0140.

### Bird

The Beekman Bird Club will meet Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the Administration Building of the Louisville Zoo at 8 pm. The program will be presented by Dr. Burt L. Monroe Jr., biology professor, and Mrs. F. W. Stamm.

### Clock around

The PTA of Bowen Elementary School will present Presto, the Magic Clown, on Thursday, Feb. 14, at 8 pm at the school, 1801 Riverfront Lane.

Admission will be 50 cents a person.

### Luncheon meeting

The public is invited to a luncheon meeting of Louisville Christian Wo-

men's Club East on Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 11:45 at Holiday Inn Riverfront. Reservations may be made with Mrs. George Stocking, 425-0116.

### A woman's China

Lolis Wheeler Snow, television and stage actress and widow of the author Edgar Snow, will speak to the Crescent Hill Woman's Club on Friday, Feb. 8, at 1:30 pm. Mrs. Snow, who spent much time in Red China with her late husband and while he was working in Peking in 1972 to study the Chinese theatre, will speak about "A Woman's China."

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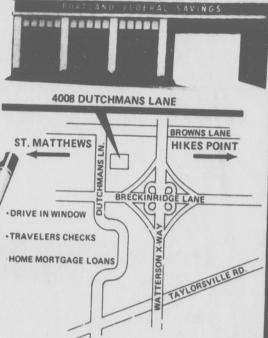
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## Lionesses care about children's eyes

By Kathy French  
Staff Writer

The discovery and care of visual problems in grade school students is the special mission of the Lions Club and Lionesses auxiliary.

In Jefferson County's discovery of children's eye problems may well come through testing by members of the Lionesses, who this year have already completed eye checks in four local schools.

Ten women, members of the auxiliary of the Jeffersontown Lions Club, have voluntarily screened 1,363 children in the first, third and fifth grades at Cochrane, Kennedy, Sales, Edward and Wheeler Elementary schools so far this year.

The Lionesses will test Jeffersontown Elementary School pupils on March 11.

The club uses a Titmus vision testing machine that was purchased by the Lions. The machine tests visual acuity in each eye separately. If a student "fails" any of these tests, he is referred to the Jefferson County Board of Health for re-testing.

The vision testing was begun by the club last year. This year the women screened all six grades in the elementary schools, Janet Hartley, chairman of the eye testing committee, said due to the success of the club's membership and the time element involved in testing so many children, the group decided to test only every other grade, this school year.

The actual vision testing is simple and requires only about one minute per student. The child is asked to sit or stand next to the machine, which is about the size of a large typewriter.

The student rests his head against

a soft padding and peers into the machine. Inside there is a chart with vertical columns and four horizontal lines of capital letter E's, each pointing in a different direction. The Lioness asks the child to use his right hand to point which direction the letter of the E is going.

Last year and this, the women have tested each school with one machine and two volunteers. At Cochrane, the Lionesses borrowed another Titmus machine from the Fern Creek Lions, said Mrs. Hartley, who arranged the loan.

With the additional machine and two more women, Cochrane was screened in a day and a half.

Mrs. Hartley explained the club was turned on the Titmus machine by the Jefferson County Board of Health,

Mrs. Ellen Buchart, director of nursing at the Jefferson County Board of Health, heaped praise on the Lionesses. "We feel they are doing an excellent job. We couldn't provide service without their volunteer work," she said.

Many students could not be screened if the volunteers did not do the screening, Mrs. Buchart said. The Board of Health only tests first-graders in the city and county -- first-grade testing is required by state law.

When the Lionesses refer pupils to the health board, they also inform the parents that "On an average, 20 percent of those tested need to be referred to an eye specialist," said Mrs. Buchart.

With experience, the Lionesses become much more adapted to recognizing problems and working with the children. Also, they become more secure, themselves (with the testing)," Mrs. Buchart added.

The Lions Club offers free eye screening to all members of the community. Ches Wheeler, president of the Lions, said any needy individual may apply to the club and receive transportation to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation for a medical examination, free eyeglasses or other correction.

The entire Lionesses Club works on the student eye testing project. Some babysit others do the actual testing. Other's act as secretaries. Lionesses are Mrs. Pat Flynn, president; Mrs. Clarence Nelson, Monica Blandford, Mary Lee Jackson, Pauline Kincaid, Audrey Strong and Janet Campisano.

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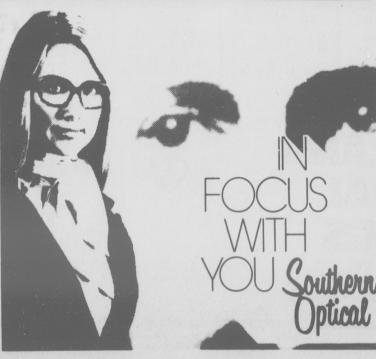
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## Chargers slip by Warhawks in last minute

By Pandora Reynolds  
Jeffersontown High School

Jeffersontown High's basketball team was led by Westport in every quarter last Friday night except the one that punted.

Jumping on top 12-12 after one period, Westport stretched the lead to 26-25 at the half and was on top 43-39 after three quarters.

But at the end, the score was 52-49 and Jeffersontown won the 52.

With the score tied at 48 all, the Chargers scored a field goal to go up by two. Westport then missed three consecutive free throws and had to settle for only a free throw.

Jeffersontown's Vince Jackson then sank two free throws to close out the scoring.

Westport shot only 23 percent and Jeffersontown 28.

David Martin was high scorer of the game with 22 points followed by Vincent Jackson with 17.

The Chargers will host their next game against Fairdale Friday.

In other basketball action, Jeffersontown's girls basketball team was defeated by Fairdale's girls' team Thursday 44-42.

The first quarter showed Jeffersontown leading 11-6 and 21-20 at the half.

It was 32-26 at the third quarter as Durrett finally edged past Jeffersontown by two points.

"We had scrimmaged them earlier in the year," said Charger coach Arthur Jackson, "and we won 52-48. " "We just didn't have enough hustle in this game."

Beckie Bennett was high scorer of the game followed by Donna Tyler with nine points. Tyler shot 16 out of 33 foul shots. Jamie Love was 12 out of 23 for foul shots.

High scorers for Durrett were Gail Hettlinger with 17 and Marla Majors with 12.

"Durrett drew fouls and won them," said Mrs. Lesley. "We just weren't able to contain Marla Majors. We needed less fouling. That's how we lost the game."

The Charger girls record now stands at 8-7. Their next game will be played Thursday against Atherton.

### Story hour

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CHARGER Dave Martin catches the rebound over a Stuart fender during the Jeffersontown-Stuart contest. Vince Jackson was high for the night with 17. Martin added 13 to the Chargers 63-55 win.

## Obituaries

THOMAS ELDRIDGE, 51, of 3016 Valley Drive, died Feb. 25 and was buried Jan. 31. He was a member of the Hopewell Baptist Church and an employee of W. T. Grant Co.

He is survived by his wife, the former Sarah Jackson; a son, Michael; sons L. Eldridge, and a stepdaughter, Miss Phoebe Tussey of North Wood, England.

AUGUST E. MESSMER, 76, of 2209 Melody Way, died Feb. 3 and was buried Feb. 6. A retired accountant, he was a member of Bethel United Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, the former Anna Mae Crowder; a son, Charles K. Messmer; a daughter, Mrs. F. A. Biller Sr., and five grandchildren.

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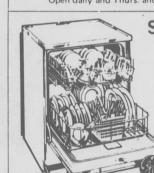


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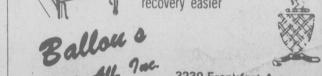
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## Christ listens to loneliness in dialogue service

Bill Fullerson and Harold McNabb stood before the Crestview Baptist Church congregation Sunday morning. Fullerson talked about loneliness, while McNabb simultaneously orated on the teachings of Christ.

"In this world where I live, I've had about as much as I can take," said Fullerson. "Sometimes I feel like it's all over."

"Peter said he personally saw what Jesus Christ has done," responded McNabb. "That's the same thing I've seen. We have to let Jesus Christ do his work for us."

Fullerson and McNabb Seminary Village residents are staff members of Crescent Hill Baptist. Fullerson is studying for his doctorate of ministries

and is director of the Portland Bridge Ministry. McNabb, is studying for his master of divinity, and is a minister of the community at the Portland Bridge Mission.

The men continued to talk, not listening to one another.

"What we have here is a failure to communicate," said McNabb.

"What we have here is a bag of wind," his partner joked.

The duo compromised. They decided to listen to one another.

Fullerson went on about the feelings of loneliness he and others often encounter. "Loneliness, that's what worldliness is," he said. "The world is torn in two visions; it has caught sight of God in His grandeur, but doesn't

know what to do with it.

"Who can go through life not wanting to get hurt by anyone, so we don't get close to anyone. All the lonely people come to the church because they see we go away lonely. The world is a prison. The church seems to fear what we break out of our prisons.

The world is lost.

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"God has called us to life to minister. Jesus Christ came to break down barriers between men and men or men and God. So forgive me if I put up barriers. Let us go together, bringing down these barriers."

Fullerson and McNabb awakened the congregation to the needs of the Portland Bridge Christian Mission, which helps the needy. They gave the congregation a direction it could follow in serving the Mission, themselves, and the church.

"There are people who have never been cared for their whole life," Fullerson ended. "We need paint, nails, hope and encouragement. We're feeling different. I am in need of forgiveness like you."

"I am the same as you, I hurt, I get hungry. Maybe we dress a little differently. Sam, we're feeling different. I am in need of forgiveness like you."

### Trinity Presbyterian names new organist

Thomas A. Seacat is the new organist at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Shivelyville Road.

Seacat is a senior at the University of Louisville School of Music. Before joining Trinity, he was the senior organist and choir director for the Georgetown Christian Church, Georgetown, Ind.

He began his career at age 11 when he became organist at what would then be the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Georgetown. He is a member of the Bach society and Phi Mu Alpha.

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### Baptist board plans church care rallies

The Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care will hold statewide Child Care Rallies during March to update church representatives working in the field of child and family help on current information and programs.

The central region meeting will be held at Spring Meadow Children's Home in Middletown at 11 am on March 4.

### Mending hearts

A chapter of the Mendota Hearts is being formed in the Louisville area for those who have had open-heart surgery, their families and friends or any interested residents.

In addition to monthly meetings, there will be special training sessions for those wishing to become accredited visitors. Such visitors will meet and talk with patients about to undergo heart surgery or those having recently done so.

Anyone wishing additional information may contact Karl Atkins, 431 East Southside Court, 366-4778, or Mrs. Ruby H. Weeks, 9911 Old Third Street, Road Valley Station.

## On warmer days, explore your yard

By Eileen Nagel  
Garden Writer

Warm days like those last week give gardeners a chance to do some catch up work.

While winter chases gardeners back indoors like it is doing this week, plants can be made for yard repairs, planting schemes and trimming when the temperature goes up again.

Explore the yard. Find out if you have any standing water. Make a map to plan where to correct in warm weather. Notice whether any of your plants are sitting in water.

Cheat around the edges to plant.

Check and see if you have twopholes.

-- correct the condition by filling or using underground tiles if necessary or add layers of gravel.

-- choose plants suitable for wet spots.

Good wet areas shrubs are Sibley glabra, (inkberry holly); Sibley verticillata, (winterberry); Aronia arborescens; Aronia mitschurinii; Cephaelis occidentalis; (whortleberry); Clethra alnifolia; Calycanthus floridus (sweet shrub); Lindera benzoin, (spicebush); Siberian dogwood; and Highbush blueberry.

Trees for wet areas include American elm, Pin oak, Red maple, Swamp white oak, Sycamore, Sour gum, Weeping Willow.

Perennials for soggy spots are Iris pseudacorus, Japanese Iris, Siberian iris, marsh marigold, cardinalflower, monarda, lychnis, salicaria, astilbe for get-me-nots (Myosotis palustris); willow such as Dutchmanspice and bitternut will also do well in such a location.

Keep an eye open for matches that have washed blades away. Replace as great frost comes. If the blades or bulb have broken out of the ground gently tamp back in place when the ground is dry. Don't do this while ground is muddy.

Take care not to make indentations where roots may stand. A piece of board will do a better job than your foot. When the ground freezes again be sure to re-tie.

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The Voice-Jeffersonian  
School News

**Newsletter unmailed**

By Barry Taylor

The principal's newsletter wasn't distributed around Westport in January, though James C. Gatewood said he's been attending meetings and other school functions and he's been ill with the flu.

Besides Gatewood says nothing too terribly important has been going on around school. And the paper and expense problems caused him to scratch the letter for January.

The last letter came out in December.

**Westport**

Basically, Gatewood's newsletter contains information about administrative matters, PTA functions and student government.

Gatewood said a newsletter will come in February despite the problems. Instead of the usual two pages, it will be written on one page, front and back, he said.

**Scientific plans wanted for fair**

March 23 is the deadline for entries in the 10th annual Louisville Regional Science Fair sponsored by the Louisville Engineering and Scientific Societies' Council.

Entries should be made through school science teachers. A spokesman said students in senior, intermediate and junior divisions will compete for a

chance to take part in the International Science and Engineering Fair at Notre Dame University, South Bend, on May 5-11.

This year's fair will take place April 6 at Jeffersonville High School, 960 Old Six Mile Lane, The 12 Louisville-area Kiwanis Clubs and area science teachers help sponsor the event.

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# Paper slams problems softly

By Denise Logsdon

"Pop did die a slow agonizing death this year when the blood ceased to flow to his supporting legs. It tried very hard to survive but became weaker

**Seneca**

and weaker until it could no longer stand. With this loss of movement, its morale hit the dirt and it lost its spirit to live."

Sentinel, a student newspaper, ran the above "obituary" in the Jan. 30 issue. "Classifieds" included "Obituaries," "Lost and Found," "Wanted," "Obituaries," "Deaths in Memoriam," and "In Appreciation."

After beginning the year with a large membership to support the football team, the Pep Club began to fade away after the first bad weather season, by the middle of the season, "It was gone," laments a former member.

Besides the club, the Future Teachers of America club listed as members were students in education, "holocholia," which could have been cured by "much attention and tender care which this atmosphere will not provide."

Responsible, unity, organization, and willingness of individual students to work for the benefit of the entire student body" were classified as "Lost." The only "Found" was a fork in the cafeteria dining.

Sponsors headed the "Wanted" list. Sentinel Features Editor Janet Steel said the sponsors were needed for

"various things," but especially for the chess and debate teams.

Seneca's students are reported to be experiencing an unusually rare disease. Parts of it are suffering from overwork and mental fatigue while the great majority of it is suffering from bronchitis and sinus trouble.

Also ill were the Beta Club, suffering from "auto-neurosis," and the Chess Club, with "anti-sponsorships."

Some hapless notes were to be found in the trash can. Under a Spanish Club report was announced,

dated in the fall of 1973. The club

"is now thriving. It feeds on riches and is planning future travels to mainland Spain."

Pratty Gibson, money-raising chairperson of the Spanish Club verifies this "excellent health."

The club is planning a trip to Mexico this summer, and is reporting many students going.

She believes the trip is responsible for the club's new enthusiasm.

"This is the first time since the club's (fundraising) program Spanish students participated in it (two years ago) that the club has really tried to do anything. People like to travel and we're doing something exciting, going to a foreign country," Pratty said.

To the right of the Seneca and the Seneca Atlantic Society (SAS) were in the "Births" column, The Math Club has the "tendency to contract 'spontaneously,'" but was otherwise "well."

The SAS, "newest member of the Redskin Family" is a group formed to study about the missing city of Atlantis.

Pratty Gibson believes the article was worthwhile. She said "The purpose of the column was to expose some of the problems that are affecting the school through humor because students can associate with this type of story better."

More school news  
will be found on page 11.

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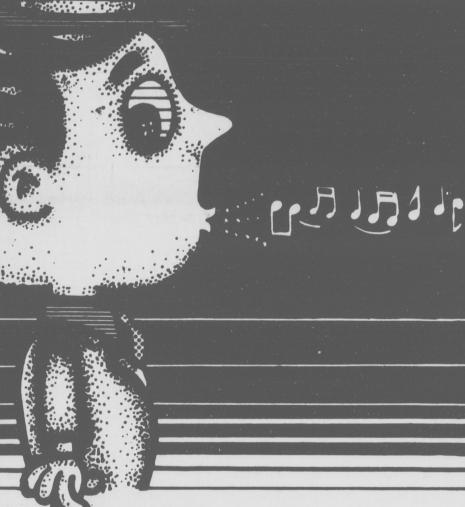
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# Rookie fireman lends hand, helps save country town

By Kathy French  
Staff Writer

"Anyone could have done it," said Bob Schlenk, a rookie Jefferson County firefighter. On Jan. 10, he took temporary charge of the Jackson, Ky., volunteer fire department during the worst fire in that community's history.

Last Wednesday, Jan. 30, Chief James C. Burnett of the Jackson department, visited the Jeffersontown fire department to bestow an award on Schlenk.

The whole Schenck crew, fire fighting forces and their dress blues, saluted the quiet, embarrassed but beaming Schlenk at their regular Wednesday night meeting.

Also, Jim Smith, county director of mutual aid coordination, representing Jefferson County Judge Todd Hollenbach, presented Schlenk with a special recognition award from the judge.

Before the special award was made and awards presented, Jefferson Chief Bob Gaddie said of Schlenk, "He's such a quiet guy. He doesn't say two words. I don't know how he did the thinking."

Schlenk is the fireman who is usually seen video taping the fire department's softball games and social outings. His interest in communications is now part of his livelihood, as he works for Dayton Communications Co., Dayton, Ohio.

His job sent him to Hazard, Ky., on Jan. 10. Schlenk said he had just finished a business call about 6 p.m. and headed for home. Radio reports of flooding in that part of the state prompted him to take an alternate route home.

When he arrived at the small community of Jackson, he spotted red lights on the side of the road at a trailer court. He got out of the car and began talking to a man who had stopped and called Burnett as the Jackson fireman pumped water from the fast rising flooded trailer park.

Besides fire department chief, Schlenk also found a man who "talked TV." The two continued their conversation in the man's home, and

the chief joined them later.

About 11:30 pm the fire alarm went off, and Burnett told Schlenk he could ride along to the scene of the fire. When Schlenk reached the burning building, at the end of a long row of buildings, the chief donned a survival air pack and entered a donut shop that seemed to be the source of the fire. Meanwhile, Schlenk helped hook hose to the hydrant.

By then, the Jackson fire department arrived with their only truck, a 75-gallon pump. As the chief hooked up the pump, he noticed a hole in the hose. It flew off and crashed into the plate glass window of the donut shop where the chief was fighting the fire.

The Jackson firemen took Schlenk back to their firehouse and put him to bed. The next day they gave him a hero's welcome. Schlenk was given clothes, fed him and sent him home that afternoon.

"It was one hell of an experience," said Schlenk later. As a "yellow hat," rank fireman, he summed up his first experience of fighting a fire rather than following them -- "You learn to respect orders more so than you normally would."

Scene of the fire was the old health and welfare and water and sewerage committees, which now will be contained under public works; and expands the old community center committee.

Also, the former safety committee is renamed public protection, and the old finance committee now is administration and finance.

Schlenk began barking orders and the chief joined them later.

**Around Jeffersontown**

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The coffee will be Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 10 a.m. at the new school.

THE WOMAN'S GROUP of Jeffersontown United Methodist Church will hold a pancake breakfast at the church on Sunday, Feb. 10, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Payment will be by free will offering, and proceeds will be used to finance the UMYF annual spring retreat in March.

ST. EDWARD PTA will sponsor a dessert card party on Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Admission will be \$1.50 per person. There will be special prizes and a flower sale.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB of Jeffersontown will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 10:30 a.m. at the Jeffersontown Unit d Methodist Church. James Bentle, secretary of the Club, will be the featured speaker in honor of American History Month.

On Tuesday, Feb. 19, club members will go to Jeffersontown High School to compete in annual student sewing, art and music contests. The event will be held in the home economics department at 3 p.m.

## Fire runs

The Jeffersontown Volunteer Fire Department responded to four alarms last week, reported fireman Joe Catman.

On Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 30, firemen were called to the Jefferson County Vocational School, 3101 Bluebird Lane, where a school bus reportedly was on fire. No damage or cause was reported.

The next day, Jan. 31, the department made three runs. That morning the firemen responded to a smoking mattress from a home at 4110 Lee Lane. Cause and estimate of damage unknown. About 3 p.m., a field fire broke out behind Jeffersontown High School.

Finally, the firemen extinguished a car fire at 2015 Old Hickory Road.

### Belles learn of BBB

The history and purpose of the Better Business Bureau (BBB) was discussed by Louisville BBB representative Lois Jordi, at the monthly meeting of the Bluegrass Belles Homemakers Club on Tuesday, Jan. 15.



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# Council views public safety

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Chief Walter D. Murphy to appoint as temporary acting sergeant the officer of his choice. It will fill the council's vacancy left when Murphy was promoted from sergeant to chief last month.

After the meeting, Murphy said he would appeal Office Manager R. E. Bell's post. The department soon will establish an examination and testing system for promotions, Murphy said, at which time the sergeant's position will be permanently filled.

In other business, the Jeffersontown Council:

—Voted to establish six standing committees, and named chairmen and vice chairmen for each committee.

These are: administration and finance, Bernice Hopkins and Edward T. Martin; public protection, Thomas A. Barrett and Chesley F. Wheeler; public works, James Bentle and Lois Jordi; parks and recreation, Wheeler and Martin; economic development, Volland and Mazzoli, and committee on committees, Martin and Bentle.

The council also debated the old health and welfare and water and sewerage committees, which now will be contained under public works; and expands the old community center committee.

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Historical preservation commission about what color to paint the new fence.

Councilman Voll announced building permits were issued in January for new construction totaling \$344,400, topped by six single-family dwellings. Heating bills during January added another \$186,50, Voll said.

—Was told by Councilman Wheeler that state park officials have approved the community center's proposed addition to the center's lease with the City.

Now, Wheeler, said, if the U. S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation also approves, the \$15,000 federal grant that has been locked in controversy for almost

a year will be released for city parks use.

—Offered cooperation to students of the U. S. L. Institute for Community Development, who plan to use Jefferson County as a "target community" for a long-range comprehensive urban planning study.

Presenting Evelyn Mullins of Jefferson, a representative of the Young Mothers Council of Kentucky, a citation declaring the week of May 12-18 as "Mother of the Year Week" in Jefferson.

—Accepted a \$1,000 matching invitation given by the Rev. Thomas BeMiller, pastor of Christ Lutheran Church.

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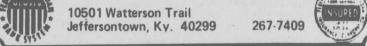
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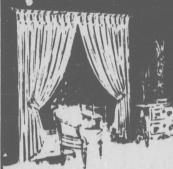


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